## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF Art Unit: 4133

MARGARET FORNEY PRESCOTT APPLICATION NO: 10/531,677

FILED: APRIL 15, 2005

FOR: BISPHOSPHONATES FOR THE TREATMENT OF

ATHEROSCLEROSIS AND DEVICES COMPRISING THEM

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of November 2, 2007 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on December 2, 2007. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$120 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR \$1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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